

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Entry of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested. It is believed that the present amendment places the present application in condition for allowance and removes all issues on appeal.

More specifically, the Examiner has allowed claims 67-69. By the present Amendment, claims 67-69 remain in the present application, as do only claims ultimately dependent therefrom. All other claims have been cancelled, and appropriate amendments have been made to insure that the dependent claims now only depend either directly or indirectly from independent claim 67.

Accordingly, favorable consideration of the subject application in light of the amendments is respectfully requested, as is withdrawal of the appeal based on such favorable consideration

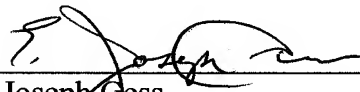
Conclusion

In view of the foregoing remarks reconsideration of the claims and allowance of the subject application is earnestly solicited. In the event that there are any questions relating to this application, it would be appreciated if the Examiner could telephone the undersigned attorney concerning such arguments so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #103904.B500844).

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